Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

September 2012

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index increased 0.2 percent between August 2012 and September 2012 while the Canada All-items Index also advanced 0.2 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index both rose 0.2 percent during the same period.

In Saskatchewan, the September All-items Index increased from August 2012 primarily due to increased prices for gasoline, tuition fees, furniture and homeowners' maintenance and repairs. Prices also rose for women's clothing, children's clothing (including infants) and child care and housekeeping services.

Moderating these increases were price decreases for traveller accommodations, recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles), home entertainment equipment, parts and services and mortgage interest cost. Prices also fell for fresh vegetables, non-alcoholic beverages and bakery products.

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 1.2 percent between September 2011 and September 2012 while the Canada All-items Index increased 1.2 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 1.3 percent and 1.1 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The September All-items Index increased from September 2011 primarily due to higher prices for rent, gasoline, passenger vehicle insurance premiums and passenger vehicle parts, maintenance and repairs. Prices also rose for cablevision and satellite services (including pay per view television), homeowners' replacement cost and tuition fees.

These increases were partially offset by lower prices for women's clothing, natural gas, home entertainment equipment, parts and services and fresh vegetables. Prices also fell for recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles), inter-city transportation and prescribed medicines.

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ALL-ITEMS
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
SASKATCHEWAN AND CANADA

	Index		Percent Change	
	Sept. 2012	Aug. 2012	Aug. 2012 to Sept. 2012	Sept. 2011 to Sept. 2012
	(2002 = 100)			
SASKATCHEWAN				
All-Items	124.5	124.2	0.2	1.2
Food	131.5	132.2	-0.5	1.5
Shelter	147.0	146.8	0.1	1.7
Household Operations and Furnishings	108.1	107.7	0.4	1.1
Clothing and Footwear	95.9	94.5	1.5	-2.2
Transportation	119.3	118.6	0.6	1.2
Health and Personal Care	116.5	116.4	0.1	2.1
Recreation, Education and Reading	107.9	107.6	0.3	1.0
Tobacco and Alcohol	143.8	143.7	0.1	0.3
All-Items Excluding Energy	122.3	122.1	0.2	1.3
Energy	145.4	143.8	1.1	0.3
CANADA				
All-Items	122.0	121.8	0.2	1.2
Food	130.3	131.7	-1.1	1.6
Shelter	127.2	127.4	-0.2	1.2
Household Operations and Furnishings	113.2	112.7	0.4	1.4
Clothing and Footwear	93.3	89.5	4.2	-1.8
Transportation	128.3	127.5	0.6	1.6
Health and Personal Care	118.5	119.8	-1.1	0.9
Recreation, Education and Reading	107.7	107.6	0.1	0.7
Tobacco and Alcohol	137.7	137.8	-0.1	1.3
All-Items Excluding Energy	118.9	118.8	0.1	.9
Energy	160.6	159.2	0.9	2.9
REGINA				
All-Items	125.2	124.9	0.2	1.3
SASKATOON				
All-Items	124.9	124.6	0.2	1.1

Note: These indices measure the percent change in consumer prices within each geographic area. The indices do not compare price levels between Saskatchewan, Canada, Regina or Saskatoon.

Source: Statistics Canada, *Consumer Price Index Survey*
Prepared by Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics, Ministry of Finance

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERCENT CHANGE
CANADA AND PROVINCES

	Percent Change	
	Aug. 2012 to Sept. 2012	Sept. 2011 to Sept. 2012
Canada	0.2	1.2
Newfoundland	0.4	1.8
Prince Edward Island	0.5	2.0
Nova Scotia	0.6	1.5
New Brunswick	0.7	1.5
Quebec	0.0	1.9
Ontario	0.2	0.7
Manitoba	0.4	1.6
Saskatchewan	0.2	1.2
Alberta	0.2	1.4
British Columbia	0.0	0.7
Whitehorse	-0.1	2.0
Yellowknife	-0.3	1.3
Iqaluit	0.0	2.0

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ALL-ITEMS
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES

	Percent Change	
	Aug. 2012 to Sept. 2012	Sept. 2011 to Sept. 2012
St. John's	0.4	1.8
Charlottetown-Summerside	0.5	1.9
Halifax	0.6	1.4
Saint John	0.7	1.4
Quebec City	0.1	2.0
Montreal	0.0	1.8
Ottawa	0.2	0.7
Toronto	0.2	0.7
Thunder Bay	0.2	-0.1
Winnipeg	0.3	1.5
Regina	0.2	1.3
Saskatoon	0.2	1.1
Edmonton	0.2	1.3
Calgary	0.2	1.4
Vancouver	-0.1	0.8
Victoria	-0.1	0.5
Whitehorse	-0.1	2.0
Yellowknife	-0.3	1.3
Iqaluit	0.0	2.0

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